

CHURCH NEWS.

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to Conway and C. C. Partridge, Jr., goes to Augusta.

FLORIDA.

Bartow: On May 7th, in the absence of the new minister, the Rev. Mr. Turpin, who had not yet arrived, the Rev. Mr. Newman, of Lakeland, who came down to greet his old friend, Mr. Turpin, was pressed into service, and gave us a fine discourse. The congregation was greatly pleased, and appreciated Mr. Newman's kindness in serving us without any notice or special preparation.

Gainesville, First Church: There have been fine additions to this church very recently. All of these were adults, three of them heads of families, and all of them on profession of faith.

GEORGIA.

Atlanta: The Druid Hill's church has just closed a very successful year. There were sixty-two additions to the church; nineteen children were baptized; the Sunday-school has an enrollment of two hundred and seventy. Mr. F. G. McConnell was installed as a ruling elder last Sunday.

KENTUCKY.

Lexington: Maxwell Street church, Rev. S. P. Hawes, pastor, expects to dedicate its splendid new building some time in June. The location is ideal, on the corner of Maxwell street and Lexington avenue; two and a half blocks east of the former site, two blocks from the grounds of the University of Kentucky, and in a growing, popular and beautiful section of the city. Size of lot, 100 by 150 feet; building 80 by 125 feet. The building is of rough, dark red brick and colonial in architecture, and contains a complete system of Sunday-school rooms, auditorium, balcony, reception rooms and basement under the whole for various purposes of church work. This church was organized a quarter of a century ago from the First church, has a resident membership of 360, and is the only Presbyterian church in the city south of Main street. Within the past five years the membership has made a net gain of 100, the Sunday-school has doubled in attendance and a thriving Society of Christian Endeavor has been added to the other societies. The new building is to meet the church's growing needs.

Louisville Presbytery will hold an adjourned meeting in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary building Tuesday morning, May 23d, 11 A. M. Rev. Paul H. Moore will offer his resignation as pastor of the Portland Avenue church in order that he may accept a call to Ebenezer church, Rock Hill, S. C. Licentiate S. A. Ewart will probably ask to be examined for ordination in view of his desire to accept the call from Glasgow and Munfordville churches. As this is an adjourned meeting any matters of business can be transacted.

S. B. Lander, Moderator.

David M. Sweets, Stated Clerk.

Hopkinsville: Rev. E. E. Smith, of Owensboro, and Rev. D. B. Gregory, of Henderson, Ky., the joint chairmen from the two committees of Paducah and Muhlenburg Presbyteries, under whose joint direction the Presbyterian Laymen's Convention of Western Kentucky was planned and carried out, report that the convention, which was held in Hopkinsville on May 3rd-4th-5th, was a great success from every standpoint. The program was pronounced by some capable of judging to be one of the strongest among the many conventions of similar character which have been held this year. Practically every speaker was present and well prepared. The

sessions were held in the large auditorium in Hopkinsville, which was filled at every evening session, and the day sessions were also well attended. Almost every church in the two Presbyteries was well represented, the largest delegation coming from the Owensboro church. A conference of the two Presbyteries was held and steps were taken looking to the employment of a Sunday-school missionary or evangelist in the near future to cover the large territory by these Presbyteries.

LOUISIANA.

Westwego: The attendance at the Sabbath school of the Westwego church has very much improved the last few months. Six scholars of the Bible class have purchased small Testaments to carry in their pockets all the time, and one has very recently united with the church. All the church members who have children send them to the Sunday-school. But the parents themselves could do much better in their attendance upon the church services.

Thos. Hayes.

Norwood: Mrs. J. S. Nisbit, missionary to Korea, visited us in April and gave us two most excellent addresses on her work there. Everybody was delighted with her, and she will be long remembered here, both for the truths which she told us and for the pleasing way in which she presented them.

E. S. Brainard.

Clinton: The closing exercises of Silliman Collegiate Institute, Clinton, La., will begin Sunday, May 21st, and close Tuesday evening, May 23rd. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. U. D. Mooney, D. D., pastor of the Napoleon Avenue church, New Orleans, Louisiana, at 11 A. M., and he will also preach the Y. W. C. A. sermon at 8 P. M. Professor James Ruth, of Tulane University, will deliver the address to the graduating class, May 23rd, 8 P. M.

Slidell and Hammond: On April 23rd, Rev. B. M. Shive, executive representative of Oglethorpe University, visited our church at Slidell, Louisiana, on the invitation of the pastor, and told the story of the marvelous success of the campaign for the rebuilding of this cherished old institution of our Southland into the great university of our Church. One man gave a thousand dollars, and other liberal ones in the church gave something over another thousand. He was also at Hammond, Louisiana, the following Sunday, April 30th, with that devoted pastor and people. The response to the great appeal—one prominent minister in our Church saying it is the greatest appeal that has ever been made to our Church—was equally surprising. One generous-hearted fellow and his wife gave \$1,000, and another added liberally to it, in this little church of about twenty-five members. They have effected a very happy federation with the Congregational church. All worship together in the same building belonging to the Congregationalists, and have enthusiastically united in their call to Rev. Dr. W. A. Gillon to continue serving them as their pastor.

MISSISSIPPI.

Wesson and Crystal Springs churches view with thanksgiving the report of the year just closed. Twenty-three have been added to the combined roll, making the whole membership two hundred and fourteen. Offerings for benevolences were as follows: Foreign Missions, \$692; Assembly's Home Missions, \$249; Synodical's Home Missions, \$102; Presbyterian's Home Missions, \$160; Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, \$132; Sunday-school and Publication, \$46;

Schools and Colleges, \$147; Bible, \$15; Orphanage, \$74; miscellaneous benevolences, \$59. Total, \$1,666.

Hazlehurst: Rev. B. C. Bell, of McComb, spent the first week of May in the Hazlehurst church. His preaching was strong and spiritual. He has fine gifts for evangelistic work, although he is one of the most efficient and successful pastors in the Synod. Every sermon in the series was strong and appropriate. Great good was accomplished. Six members were added by profession. Others will join. The members were greatly stimulated and encouraged. There are results which will be permanent. Mr. Bell made a fine impression on the entire community and upon the hearts of the people—in the best sense. The church is in a better condition than it has been in for many years. "We thank God and take courage."

S. C. C.

Meridian: Dr. Scanlon, the minister of this congregation, has left for a month or so of vacation in the North. He will spend a fortnight at Princeton, N. J., attending the Bible Conference, and also spend some time along the Hudson River. Mr. Taffe, the assistant minister, will supply the pulpit during the absence of Dr. Scanlon.

MISSOURI.

Springfield: Sunday, April 16th, was a red letter day in the history of the Presbyterian Tabernacle here, when the church was formally organized as the "Tabernacle Presbyterian church of Springfield, Mo.," with one hundred and twenty charter members. On February 16, 1915, a congregational meeting of the Westminster Presbyterian church was held and Presbytery was petitioned to dissolve the Westminster church, and to take necessary steps to organize a new Presbyterian church here. It was decided to raise sufficient money with which to erect a temporary structure to be called the Tabernacle on the rear of the vacant lot owned by the Westminster church.

After several months of preliminary work by Rev. Trigg A. M. Thomas, Superintendent of Home Missions, the first services were held in the new Tabernacle June 6, 1915. Rev. Grayson L. Tucker, of the graduating class of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., was secured to undertake the work. A Sunday-school was organized with seventy members, with Mr. Tucker as superintendent. A Christian Endeavor Society was also organized.

Mr. Tucker was left in charge of the work with an occasional visit from Mr. Thomas until April 5, 1916, when a series of evangelistic meetings, lasting twelve days, was conducted by Rev. Mr. Thomas. Seventy-five conversions were recorded and the community greatly benefited. Large crowds attended the services every night, and those who were present at the closing service Sunday night witnessed the largest crowd of people ever present at any service held in the Tabernacle.

When the roll of the church was called, of the one hundred and twenty who were to be charter members of the church, it was found that thirty-five had been members of the old Westminster church; forty-nine came by letter from churches elsewhere, and thirty-six came on profession of faith. Twenty-two adults and two children were baptized.

Five ruling elders and four deacons were elected. All of these but two were ordained, these having been previously ordained. All were regularly installed. Following this the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Mr. Thomas.

The success of the movement has made many glad hearts in Springfield, and is a glowing tribute to the energy

and foresight of Mr. Thomas. When he first visited Springfield sixteen months ago he found a nucleus of about twenty people whom he could interest in the work. It required faith and prayer and work to plan the movement through to a successful church organization.

G. L. T.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Davidson College: As the resources of the college increase, new teachers will be added with the purpose of increasing the efficiency of the college in teaching and training the students committed to its care. It is not the offering of new courses but the decreasing of the size of the classes by cutting them up into increased number of sections that we are striving for.

It is a thoroughly proven educational truth that mere lecturing to a class—especially a lower class—should be severely minimized, the Socratic method of repeated questioning and tests of the student's progress should prevail, and that the teacher should only have such a number under him as gives him the opportunity to study and deal with the student individually. It is our desire and purpose to arrive as quickly as possible at this ideal of service for our students; and we are progressing towards it.

To this end the college has been fortunate in securing the services of Professor S. Macon Reed as an additional teacher, now and for some years past, headmaster of the Donaldson Military School of Fayetteville, N. C., to begin work with Davidson at the opening of the new college year in September.

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MEAL-TIME CONSCIENCE
What Do the Children Drink?

There are times when mother or father feeds the youngsters something that they know children should not have. Perhaps it is some rich dessert but more often it is tea or coffee.

It is better to have some delicious, hot food-drink that you can take yourself and feed to your children, conscious that it will help and strengthen, but never hurt them.

A Yorkstate lady says: "I used coffee many years in spite of the conviction that it injured my nervous system and produced my nervous headaches. While visiting a friend I was served with Postum and I determined to get a package and try it myself. The result was all that could be desired—a delicious, finely flavored, richly colored beverage. Since I quit coffee, Postum has worked wonders for me."

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"You may be sure I find it a great comfort to have a warm drink at meals that I can give my children, with a clear conscience that it will help and not hurt them, as coffee or tea would."

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Postum Cereal—the original form—must be well boiled. 15c and 25c pkgs.

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